



**ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
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Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

PROVISIONAL CALENDAR OF MEETINGS IN 1999*

Date and venue	Title
<u>First quarter</u>	
2-5 February Amman	Expert Group Meeting on National Standardization in the Arab Countries
9-10 February Beirut	First Session of the Committee on Transport
March Beirut	Second Session of the Committee on Social Development
9-12 March Beirut	Expert Group Meeting on Science and Technology Policies in the ESCWA Member States for the Twenty-first Century
3 days Bahrain or Beirut	First Session of the Technical Committee on Liberalization of Foreign Trade and Economic Globalization in the ESCWA Member States
16-18 March Beirut	Third Session of the ESCWA Statistical Committee
<u>Second quarter</u>	
April Cairo	Expert Group Meeting on the Harmonization of Environmental Standards in the Energy Sector of the ESCWA Member States
20-22 April Beirut	Expert Group Meeting on Updating Assessment of Water Resources in the ESCWA Member States
23-24 April Beirut	Third Session of the Committee on Water Resources

* Formal invitations are normally extended at least six weeks before the scheduled date of each meeting.

Date and venue

Title

Second quarter (continued)

27-29 April

Beirut

Expert Group Meeting on the Harmonization of Norms and Standards for Selected Agricultural Commodities

Fourth week of May

Beirut

Expert Group Meeting on Project Planning and Management in Research and Development and Quality Control Institutions

14-16 June

Beirut

Expert Group Meeting on GATT Agreements and International Trade in Textiles and Clothing

June

Beirut

Expert Group Meeting on the Adequacy of Environmental Legislation and the Promotion of Enforcement Mechanisms

Five days

Beirut

Twentieth Session of the Commission and the Eleventh Session of Its Technical Committee

To be determined

Workshop on Gender Statistics

Third quarter

To be determined

Expert Group Meeting on Migration and Population Policies in the ESCWA Member States

To be determined

Expert Group Meeting on Vital Statistics and Civil Registration Systems in the ESCWA Member States

To be determined

Training Workshop on Population Policies and Sustainable Development in the ESCWA Member States: ESCWA Population Policies Information System in the Arab World

Fourth quarter

10-15 October

Beirut

Expert Group Meeting on the Harmonization of Environmental Standards in the Water Sector of the ESCWA Member States

October

Beirut

Expert Group Meeting on the Privatization of the Electric Power Sector

October

Beirut

Second Session of the Committee on Energy

Date and venue	Title
<u>Fourth quarter (continued)</u>	
October Beirut	Expert Group Meeting on Urban Management: Follow-up of National Strategies in the ESCWA Member States
16-18 November Beirut	Expert Group Meeting on the Harmonization of Transport Norms and Legislative Instruments for Regional Cooperation, Including UNEDIFACT
November Beirut	Expert Group Meeting on Environment and Trade- Related Issues: the Impact of WTO Environment Committee Decisions on the ESCWA Member States
To be determined Beirut	Third Session of the Committee on Water Resources
To be determined	Expert Group Meeting on the Assessment of Economic Development in the ESCWA Region during the 1990s and Regional Priorities for the Next Decade (2000-2009)
November	Expert Group Meeting on Construction Statistics
November	Arab Conference on Integrated Follow-up to Global Conferences
To be determined	Workshop on the Implementation of the International Comparison Programme in the ESCWA Member States